

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES ARE HIGHER IN 50 STATES SINCE BEGINNING OF BUSH ADMINISTRATION

STATE	Unemployment Rate in January 2001	Unemployment Rate in Aug. 2003	Unemployment Rate in Sept. 2003*
Alabama	4.9%	5.7%	5.5%
Alaska	6.6%	7.9%	7.8%
Arizona	3.7%	6.0%	5.6%
Arkansas	4.7%	5.4%	6.0%
California	4.7%	6.7%	6.4%
Colorado	2.6%	5.7%	5.6%
Connecticut	2.4%	5.0%	5.0%
Delaware	4.0%	4.6%	4.4%
D.C.	6.2%	7.3%	6.1%
Florida	3.9%	5.4%	5.2%
Georgia	3.5%	4.6%	4.4%
Hawaii	4.1%	4.3%	4.2%
Idaho	4.4%	5.6%	5.5%
Illinois	4.9%	6.8%	7.1%
Indiana	3.8%	5.2%	5.2%
Iowa	2.9%	4.6%	4.6%
Kansas	4.1%	4.7%	4.7%
Kentucky	4.7%	5.8%	5.8%
Louisiana	6.0%	7.2%	6.1%
Maine	3.3%	4.9%	4.9%
Maryland	3.7%	4.2%	4.3%
Massachusetts	2.7%	5.8%	5.7%
Michigan	4.6%	7.4%	7.4%
Minnesota	3.3%	4.4%	4.6%
Mississippi	4.8%	6.3%	5.3%
Missouri	4.3%	5.6%	5.4%
Montana	4.7%	4.7%	4.9%
Nebraska	2.9%	3.8%	4.0%
Nevada	4.3%	5.2%	5.2%
New Hampshire	2.8%	4.4%	4.5%
New Jersey	3.5%	5.9%	5.8%
New Mexico	4.6%	6.1%	6.1%
New York	4.2%	6.2%	6.4%
North Carolina	4.4%	6.5%	6.4%
North Dakota	2.7%	3.7%	3.7%
Ohio	3.9%	5.8%	5.8%
Oklahoma	3.0%	5.4%	5.1%
Oregon	4.8%	8.0%	8.0%
Pennsylvania	4.2%	5.2%	5.3%
Rhode Island	4.2%	5.3%	4.5%
South Carolina	4.3%	6.2%	6.4%
South Dakota	2.8%	3.4%	3.4%
Tennessee	4.0%	5.1%	5.4%
Texas	4.0%	6.6%	6.5%
Utah	3.5%	5.1%	5.1%
Vermont	3.3%	3.9%	4.3%
Virginia	2.4%	3.7%	3.7%
Washington	5.5%	7.6%	7.6%
West Virginia	5.0%	6.6%	5.8%
Wisconsin	3.9%	5.9%	5.7%
Wyoming	3.8%	4.1%	4.0%
Puerto Rico	10.2%	11.2%	11.8%
U.S. AVERAGE	4.1%	6.1%	6.1%

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

* latest available